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450108-03399IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants : Tetsujiro Kondo, et al.  
 Serial No. : 10/089,430  
 Filed : March 29, 2002  
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 METHOD AND DEVICES THEREFOR, AND PROGRAM  
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 Examiner : Han, Qi  
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

- ☒ No additional fee is required.  
☐ The fee has been calculated as shown below.  
☐ This is an application of a small entity under 37 CFR 1.9(f), and the amounts shown in parentheses apply.

## Claims as Amended

(1)	(2) Claims remaining after amendment	(3)	(4) Highest number previously paid for	(5) Present extra	(6) Rate	(7) Additional Fee
Total claims	12	Minus	** = 20	* 0 x	\$50 (25)	= \$ 0
Independent claims	6	Minus	*** = 6	* 0 x	\$200 (100)	= \$ 0
Total additional fee for this amendment						\$ 0

- \* If the entry in Column 2 is less than the entry in Column 4, write "0" in Column 5.  
 \*\* If the highest number of total claims previously paid for is less than 20, write "20" in this space.  
 \*\*\* If the highest number of independent claims previously paid for is less than 3, write "3" in this space.

- ☐ This application contains a multiple dependent claim. The required fee of \$300 (150) has been previously paid ☐, or is paid herewith ☐.
- ☐ This response is being filed within the \_\_\_ month following the expiration of the term originally set therefor. This is a petition to request a \_\_\_ month extension of time. A check covering the cost of the petition is enclosed.
- ☐ A check in the amount of \$\_\_\_ is attached, which covers the cost of ☐ additional claims ☐ petition for extension of time.
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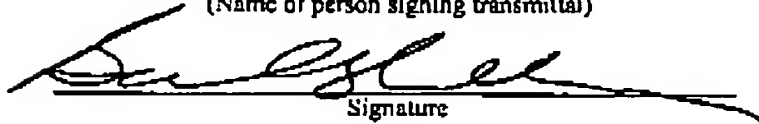
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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116**

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Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on June 27, 2006, having a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on September 28, 2006 (September 27, 2006 being a Sunday), please amend the above-identified application as follows.

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**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins  
on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 11 of this paper.